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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| TOSHIKAZU KAMIYA, ET AL. | : Examiner: Melenie Lee McCormick) |
| Application No.: 10/552,526 | : Group Art Unit: 1655 |
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2008 (Paper No.

0808), please amend the above-identified application as follows: